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Ph: (703) 761-2377****In re Application of Hashimura, et al.****Serial No.: 10/601,310****For: SEMICONDUCTOR ELEMENT AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME****Contents: 1. Response to Election/Restriction Requirement (1 page)****CERTIFICATION OF TRANSMISSION**

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR ELEMENT AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

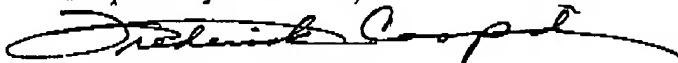
In response to the Office Action dated April 27, 2006, in the above-referenced Application, wherein the Examiner required an election of one of the two identified inventions, Applicants hereby elect Species I (claims 1-6 and 12-18), without traverse.

Early, favorable prosecution on the merits is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner find the Application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

A conditional petition is made for any extension of time which may become necessary. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees for such extension and to credit any overpayment in fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully Submitted,



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